

TRADE STARTED WITH A RUSH

Lot of Fish at New Boston Pier—Prices Low—Some Will Go to Split.

The Benner was on the southeastern part of Georges according to their reckoning when a "fixed" light suddenly was discovered by the lookout. Then suddenly something struck the side of the vessel and showed up on the other side. Later on investigation, when a boat was put over, the mystery was cleared. It proved to be nothing more than a mammoth sunfish which was taken aboard. It measured nearly 26 feet in circumference.

Many vessel owners balk at the first cost of installing the engine, but they would do well to take into account the saving of time which it effects; the wider range of fishing operations it gives the vessel, and the shorter and more certain duration of the trips. Towage bills are done away with, and an engine is the best insurance for a vessel while working around the coast in bad weather. Much of the cost of an engine in a modern type of vessel would be saved in doing away with topmasts and light sails as well as a certain amount of ballast.

Sch. Dorcas, 81 swordfish.
Str. Anne T. 2500 lbs. fresh tinker

James McLean.

TOOK SUNFISH FOR AN ISLAND

BUSY MORNING IN FISH LINE

Four Halibuts In—Small Boats Bring Regular Glut of Bluebacks.

This morning was a busy one about the wharves, quite a fleet of arrivals putting in since Saturday, while the fleet of seiners had made some good hauls of bluebacks off the Isle of Shoals, landing nearly 800 barrels. Most of them sold for oil, while a few went to salt.

Four halibut fares were on the market this morning. Saturday afternoon, Sch. Preceptor, Capt. John McKay, from Green Bank, arrived with 18,000 pound fare. Last evening shortly before 7 o'clock, sch. Natalie Hammond, Capt. Chas. Colson, arrived from Georges with a 22,000 lb. fare, and an hour later, sch. Waldo L. Stream, Capt. Frank Stream, came in with a 22,000 pound fare. Both of the latter trips are from Georges.

This morning about 6 o'clock, sch. Volant, Capt. Gus Dunsy, from Le Have, arrived, hauling for 12,000 pounds and 65,000 pounds fresh fish, besides some salt cod.

Schs. Waldo L. Stream and Natalie Hammond lost 25 tubs of trawl on their trip out. The Hammond sold to the New England Fish Company this morning, later sailing for Boston to come out there.

Sch. Annie M. Parker, Capt. Hiram Forbes, the third of salt trawl bankers arrived Saturday during the night, hauling for 22,000 pounds salt cod. He reports schs. J. J. Flaherty and Senator Gardner on the way home with their trips.

Sch. Mary F. Curtis, the last of the Cape Northers is home, with a small fare. The Curtis had a narrow escape from destruction, striking off of Bonne Bay and was obliged to make repairs at Hawkesbury, which is responsible for the main for her broken trip.

Some of the pollock seiners landed fish yesterday, bringing them in and selling to the splitters. Most of the bluebacks, with the exception of 300 barrels, which sold to oil, went for oil, the dealers paying cents a barrel for them.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Preceptor, Green Bank, 18,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 3000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Mary F. Curtis, Grand Banks, 1,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Flora L. Oliver, Western Bank, 1,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Corona, seining, 60 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Annie M. Parker, salt trawl seining, 22,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Jorgina, via Boston, 25,000 lbs. fish.

Sch. Natalie Hammond, Georges, 1,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 10,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Waldo L. Stream Georges, 22,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 10,000 lbs. salt cod, 6000 lbs. fresh hake.

Sch. Volant Le Have Bank, 12,000 lbs. fresh halibut, 65,000 lbs. fresh fish, 5000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Rob Roy seining, 35 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sunday Arrivals.

Str. Beatrice E., seining, 9000 lbs. fresh pollock.

Str. Herbert and Emma, seining, 14,000 lbs. fresh pollock.

Str. Nora B. Robinson, seining, 12,000 lbs. fresh pollock.

Sch. Gracie Freeman, seining, 6000 lbs. fresh pollock.

Str. Joppate, seining, 12,000 lbs. fresh pollock.

Str. Advance, seining 90 bbls. fresh bluebacks.

Str. Philip seining, 88 bbls. fresh bluebacks.

Str. R. J. Killick, seining, 63 bbls. fresh bluebacks.

Str. Scout, seining, 28 bbls. fresh bluebacks.

Str. Mary F., seining, 19 bbls. fresh bluebacks.

Sch. Marguerite McKenzie, seining, 50 bbls. fresh bluebacks.

Str. Marchant, seining, 20 bbls. fresh bluebacks.

Str. Doris, seining, 18 bbls. fresh bluebacks.

Str. Bessie A., seining, 74 bbls. fresh bluebacks.

Str. Bryda F., seining, 64 bbls. fresh bluebacks, (16 bbls. fresh bluebacks yesterday).

Str. Jeffery seining, 14 bbls. fresh bluebacks.

Str. Lydia, seining, 70 bbls. fresh bluebacks.

Str. Dolphin, seining, 28 bbls. fresh bluebacks.

Str. Independence II, seining, 135 bbls. fresh bluebacks.

Str. Philip, seining, (44 bbls. fresh bluebacks Saturday.)

Sch. Charles A. Dyer, seining.

Sch. Little Fannie, via Boston.

Sch. Manomet, via Boston.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Norma, seining.

Steamer Thelma, seining.

Steamer Lois H. Corkum, seining.

Steamer Geisha, seining.

Sch. Onato, shacking.

Sch. Mary DeCosta, haddocking.

Sch. Georgia, halibuting.

Br. sch. Lavanie, Pubnico.

Mackerel Fares at Newport.

A special to the Times from its correspondent at Newport this morning announces these arrivals of fresh mackerel:

Wood and Mack, 11 barrels.

Alice, 19 barrels.

Lillian, 12 barrels.

Little Addle, 8 barrels.

Thomas Congdon, 20 barrels.

Magnolia, 12 barrels.

The fish were taken off Noman's and the prospect for small boats is good, so the despatch adds.

Doing Well.

The little steamer Dolphin, Capt. William Ingraham, is doing well seining. On Thursday of last week the crew shared \$25 as a result of a two day's trip.

Herring Plentiful Margaret's Bay.

D. C. Mulhall in a despatch to the Times this morning, says: "Herring bait very plentiful, Margaret's Bay and vicinity. Plenty of ice \$1.50 per ton."

Labrador Fleet is Over 500 Sail.

Says the St. John's N. F., Trade Review: According to reports posted in the Board of Trade rooms, 531 vessels had cleared from the Newfoundland coast for Labrador up to the 4th of July. Some of these were stationers and others were floaters, and they took to the coast an aggregate of 7379 people. Very few vessels leave the coast of Newfoundland for Labrador after the first week in July, the only ones, in fact, being those that make a first trip to the French Shore or Straits, and run home with their catch and get ready as quickly as possible for Labrador. The following is the list of clearances:

Settlement.	Vessels.	Crews.
Conception Hr.	4	83
Hr. Main	6	114
Brigus	21	1059
Bay Roberts	30	818
Spaniard's Bay	2	97
Hr. Grace	22	775
Carbonear	30	1986
Western Bay	2	52
Britannia	13	76
Trinity	67	787
Catalina	20	187
King's Cove	29	213
Greenspond	131	983
Herring Neck	20	160
Twillingate	94	635
Exploits	17	113
Bonne Bay	7	42
Channel	9	33
Burgeo	1	10
Gaultois	1	8
Belleoram	4	40
Stones Cove	1	8
Totals	531	7379

Portland Fishing News.

The Portland fishermen report a remarkable scarcity of fish the past three days in this vicinity. A few catches of hake and pollock have been made, but cod and haddock are not showing up at all, the dealers being dependent mostly on Boston for their supplies. For some reason the fish seem to have disappeared almost entirely from their usual haunts in this vicinity, the catches made in the pounds at Richmond Island, Harpswell, and other near by points having also been exceedingly small the past week.

The fishing steamer Elthier returned Friday from an unsuccessful cruise, having been to the southwest of the lightship and up by Old Orchard, the skipper not having seen a fish for three days. Equally discouraging reports were made by a number of other skippers who made port Friday. The fish are evidently taking a vacation and will doubtless show up again before many days.

Sch. Eleanor, Capt. Maurice Lube, which arrived here on Thursday from Boston, where she had just landed a trip of swordfish, had a very narrow escape from losing her bowsprit at Central wharf Friday afternoon. She was changing her position from the side to the end of the wharf when her bowsprit caught on the edge of the wharf and clung there. To release her it was necessary to chop off two of the piles and then with the assistance of the tug Portland the schooner was freed from her unpleasant predicament, not having suffered the least damage.

Newfoundland Cod Report.

The Board of Trade is again endeavoring to get reports of codfish catches in the various districts of the island, with a view to comparison with last year's record, date for date. The reports received up to Monday last give figures to the fourth of July. Of whole number of districts in the island, there is a report in from everyone but Fogo and Port-de-Grave and St. John's. As a matter of fact, there are no official records of the catches taken in St. John's and the neighborhood during the fishing season, it being presumed no doubt, that the records of the various harbors, from Cape Spear to Portugal Cove (round Cape St. Francis), could be got by telephone every day. Perhaps if the Board of Trade took the matter in hand, they could get the St. John's report as well as those of outside districts.

Here are the reports of the various districts:

	1913.	1914.
Placentia and St. Mary's	8,330	21,000
Burin	43,360	35,000
Fortune Bay	21,650	23,000
Burgeo and LaPoile	26,155	19,000
St. George's	2,990	1,000
St. Barbe	940	2,000
Twillingate	560	4,000
Fogo	No Re	No Re
Bonevista	130	7,000
Trinity	270	3,800
Bay De Verde	200	5,300
Carbonear	190	3,000
Harbor Grace	850	1,600
Port De Grave	—	10,000
Harbor Main	10	10,000
Ferryland	1,740	1,500
Straits	400	1,900

Two weeks have intervened since these figures were compiled and we think that the fish caught in the meantime is fully as much as was caught during the corresponding period last year. If anything, the voyage has been a little better, so that we have nearly developed up to last year's record at this period. On the date figures were available the other last year was ahead of this year by 22,730 quintals, the figures for the two years being: 1913, 130,505 qtls.; 1914, 107,775 qtls. As stated above, neither Fogo nor St. John's is enumerated in these lists.—St. John's, N. F., Trade Review.

Porto Rico Fish Market.

During the past week our market have remained quite active on codfish. Sales were made at Ponce ex Mayold cargo from Lunenburg at \$36 for codfish, \$22.50 for pollock and \$22 for haddock of first-class quality. Gloucester and other Halifax current grades of codfish sell in the same market at \$35 and \$35.25 per cask. At San Juan and Mayaguez we register sales of codfish at \$35 and of pollock and haddock at \$23. Demand for the last descriptions of fish are understood on basis "net ex wharf."—S. Ramirez & Co.

On the Railways.

Sch. Athlete and steamer R. J. Killick are on the Rocky Neck railways.

Sch. Charles A. Dyer and sch. Esther Gray are on Burnham Bros' railways.

Capt. Dan On Deck Again.

Capt. Daniel McDonald has returned from Nova Scotia after a two week's vacation, and will now fit sch. Catherine Burke for halibuting.